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Description

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Mr. Peter Gould
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Dear Mr. Gould:

I have received an invitation from The Haslemere Festival to appear there as violin soloist this summer of 1973. Much as I would like to accept this invitation, it would not be practical for me to make the long trip from California to England unless additional engagements could be tied in with The Haslemere Festival. I now have a letter from Ms. Greta Mathews, Festival Secretary, suggesting that I write to you to inquire whether it would be possible to combine a BBC engagement with my Festival appearance. In the event that you are particularly interested in contemporary music, allow me to call your attention to two compositions especially written for me and dedicated to me. The one is Douglas Moore's "Down East Suite" (published by Carl Fischer in New York), of which I gave the Carnegie Hall world premiere and subsequent performances. The other is Victor Babin's "Konzertstück" of which I gave the world premiere in London, with the composer at the piano, many years ago, and subsequently with orchestra under George Szell. That piece was published by Augener's in London. Perhaps I should also call your attention to the recording I made of two rarely performed works of considerable merit, the Sonatas by Lalo and D'Indy, which have just been issued on the Orion label in America. Other recent recordings of mine include the little known Sonata Op. 57 by Dvorak, another excellent piece of music.

I would appreciate hearing from you at your early convenience, as The Haslemere Festival is anxious to have my decision.

Yours sincerely,

Henri Temianka

HT/cp